

STANFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Stanfield Parish Council meeting held on Monday November 27th 2023 at 7.30 p.m. in St. Margaret's Church. Stanfield.

Councillors Present:- Cllrs I Thompson, R Duffield, D Daniels and S Collings

Others Present:- 3 Electors and Mrs G Hubbard, Clerk

1. Welcome and to consider accepting apologies for absence.

The Chairman welcomed those present. There were apologies for absence received from Cllr L Walker and these were approved. County Cllr M Kiddle-Morris also sent apologies for absence.

2. To declare any Interests re items on the agenda.

There were no Interest declared.

3. To confirm minutes of the meeting held on September 13th 2023.

The minutes had been circulated. Cllr Duffield proposed the Chairman should sign the minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting, seconded by Cllr Collings and carried. Cllr Thompson signed the minutes.

4. To discuss any matters arising from the minutes of September (not on the agenda).

There were no matters arising.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PERIOD

A resident present reported that a horse carrying a rider had been chased by a dog and someone else was bitten by a dog. The Police came out but did not do anything about the situation.

There was a great deal of discussion amongst the public present and the Parish Councillors regarding the unsatisfactory situation down Back Lane and the caravans. Those present expressed their disappointment that Breckland Council are not responding to the concerns of the Parish Council and the residents regarding the situation down Back Lane. The Clerk was asked to contact the Planning Department again at Breckland Council to try to ascertain if there is any update on the situation.

5. To discuss any Correspondence received.

The Parish Council had received a quote from Mr S Jenkins for the grass cutting and strimming to be done during 2024 at St. Margaret Church, at a cost of £746.00. The Parish Council accepted the quote and the Clerk will inform Mr Jenkins.

6. To discuss any Planning applications received (if any).

3PL/2023/0933/HS Stanfield and Horningtoft Water Tower Site. Storage of up to 96,512m litres (24 tanks) of LPG for providing heat to poultry/turkey poult (hazardous substance). The Parish Council had no objection to this planning application.

7. To discuss any Highways Matters.

There is still a blocked culvert outside Manor Farm, opposite The Rectory. When there is heavy rain, there is flooding. With winter approaching it is a matter of urgency so the Clerk will chase up the necessary work. There is also a pot hole right outside Cherry Tree Farm that needs dealing with. On Back Lane, there is a larger pot hole outside Wagtail Farm and a few smaller ones. These will be reported.

8. To authorise financial payments: -

Cllr Thompson proposed the necessary financial payments be authorized, seconded by Cllr Duffield and carried: -

Clerk's net salary for October to November £312.00 HMRC tax Oct. to Nov. £52.20

Clerk's expenses Oct. to Nov. £52.52 Breckland Council -uncontested election £75.00

9. To receive an update regarding the new bank account at Lloyds.

Although the setting up of the new account was thought to have been completed by now, the Clerk still has not received the new cheque book. Cllr Duffield will look into the situation. He was given the cheque for the closing balance of the Barclays account and he will pay it into the new bank account as soon as he can.

10. To deal with the allocations for winter payments.

Each recipient will receive a cheque for £50.00. In total, 13 cheques were written out and they will be distributed.

11. To receive update on the idea of a wild flower bank near the post box.

Cllr Thompson has not managed to see Sarah Dade so it will be an item for the next agenda.

12. To discuss the D Day Celebrations on 6th June 2024.

Cllr Thompson suggested that Nigel Pomfret be approached to see if he would like to ring the Church bells on 6th June and he will ask Mr Pomfret if he is willing to take on this task.

13. To receive an update on the situation regarding the Breckland District Councillor, Mitchell Thurbon.

To date, the Clerk has not received any answers to the emails she has sent trying to get some sort of clarification on this situation but she will continue to pursue it.

15. To discuss items for the next agenda.

To set the precept

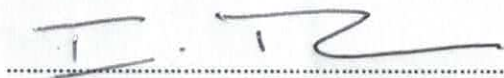
To set the meeting dates for 2024

16. To confirm date/ time of the next meeting

The next meeting will be on Monday 8th January 2024 at 7.30 p.m. in St. Margaret's Church. There being no further business to discuss. The meeting finished at 8.20 p.m. and the Chairman thanked those present for their attendance.

Chairman

Date



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